Glossary of Funding Source Terms

Open Container Law

Removes restrictions on three percent of federal highway funding (\$13.6 million in 2003); funding had to be spent on safety improvements.

GARVEE Bonds

Borrowing against expected federal highway funds

Asset Management Contracts

Private firms manage highway maintenance: signs, lane striping, snow removal, etc. They do not include resurfacing, lane additions, major construction

Partnering for Economic Development and Acquiring Land (PEDAL)

Local government and private groups contribute to funding state highways. Includes right-of-way grants, property tax contributions, tax increment financing

Tax Increment Financing

Local government can use TIF financing to contribute to state highway projects

Increase Special Vehicle Permitting Fees

Charge more for overweight and oversize vehicles

Development Impact Fees

Charge new development for traffic generated on state highways; includes impact by trucks delivering goods to stores and warehouses

Charge Commercial Vehicles for Damage and Deprived Use of Highways

Wrecked or broken down vehicles pay INDOT for lane rental.

Weigh in Motion (WIM) Sensors in Highway for Enforcement or ESAL Based Tolls

Charges trucks for damage they cause to highway instead of weight. Greatly improves ability to catch overweight trucks. Extends road life by reducing damage caused by heavy trucks.

Dynamic Message Sign Sponsorship

Groups pay to sponsor traffic information signs on interstates

Billboard Fees

Billboard owners pay annual an annual fee based on traffic volume.